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Forest is Ablaze.

Grants Pass, Or., Aug. 7.—A destructive forest fire, which started from a tree that was fired by two boys in an attempt to drive out a squirrel, is raging in the pine and fir woods of Northern Josephine along Louse creek and Jump-off-Joe, of the Coast Range Mountains. More damage has already been done by this fire than the combination of all the forest fires in that part of the mountains last summer. Besides the thousands of acres of timber that has been destroyed, miles of fences have been burned, barns and other property destroyed. Five miles of telephone and telephone line poles are burned, and the wires down. Communication by telephone and telegraph with northern points has been cut over the lines of wire following the Southern Pacific Railroad, which is out of the fire.

The main traveled county wagon road between Grants Pass, which for 12 hours was walled with columns of roaring flames, is impassable because of burning trees and falling trunks across the highway. The smoldering logs, limbs and trunks make the work of clearing the road slow, and it will be several days before traffic can be resumed.

Settlers and ranchers in the timbered section traversed by the fire are terror-stricken, and many are fleeing from the approaching flames. Men and women are working night and day in heroic effort to check the fire, but the usual dryness of the woods, the accumulated and parched undergrowth, twigs and dead limbs burn like powder in spite of all efforts to check it. Several valuable farms have been badly damaged by the fire through the destruction of fences, barns and grain fields. Orchards grown to grass, which is parched and dry at this season, have also been damaged, as have been woodyards and stock corrals.

At this time the wind, which has been blowing strong from the north-east, and which has fanned the flames, is lowered, and the fire is confining itself to a more restricted territory on upper Jump-off-Joe. While there is considerable timber in that section, there are fewer ranches and settlements, and the danger from the destruction of improved property is not quite as great.

Because of fire a heavy pall of smoke has spread over Josephine County and is hourly growing denser.

Boy Will Never be a Graftor.

Portland, August 14.—Secretary Henry E. Reed of the Lewis and Clark Exposition has just sent an up-to-date camera, with a roll of films and other accessories, to 13-year-old F. R. Newman, of Colfax, Wash. The secretary does not send cameras to every boy who attends the exposition, but in the case of Master Newman he made an exception.

A few days ago Secretary Reed received a letter from young Newman, containing a quarter, and explaining that the money was sent because the boy, at the suggestion of an older person, had represented himself to be under 12 years of age and by this means had entered the exposition gate free on the Fourth of July, when children under 12 were thus admitted. When the boy returned home his conscience smote him. "I think I ought to have paid," he wrote. The boy's honesty so pleased the secretary that the camera was sent in appreciation, and Mr. Reed sent with it a letter which no doubt Master Newman will treasure all his life.

A similar incident occurred in connection with the St. Louis exposition. A boy mailed to the management twenty-five cents, explaining that he "went through the fence" at a place where a plank happened to be loose.

WANTED.—10 men in each state to travel, tack signs and distribute samples and circulars of our goods. Salary \$75.00 per month. \$3.00 per day for expenses. Kuhlman Co. Dept. Atlas Building, Chicago.

Our Mines.

James M. Burdick, of New Britain, Conn., who lately visited the Commander mine was greatly impressed with it. In a letter to Mr. Estberg, owner of the mine, Mr. Burdick gives a flattering account of his visit to the property. In part the letter says:

"I went from Myrtle Point to the ranch by team, and from there over the mining trail on horseback to the mine. The ride through the magnificent forest is simply delightful. "On your placer ground it is fairly easy to trace the course of the river bed in centuries earlier, but now filled in with great banks of gravel and earth, from which, I am told, many a prospector has washed out good returns in the yellow metal, but their equipment to work with was small and inadequate that they have scarcely made an impression on the great deposits which you propose to wash down and run through the sluices.

"The Commander vein crops out very strongly where the river has worn away the rock and is certainly well mineralized. While I am not in any sense a mining man and wouldn't pretend for a moment to pass on the value of these ores, either present or prospective, yet I will say that the veins appear to be well defined, and if they improve in size and value with depth, as is usually the case, it would seem from the assay values shown, that there could be no doubt that the development of the ore bodies and the installation of the proper equipment for handling same would mean success. The construction of the flume is quite a feat of engineering and must have thoroughly tested the energy and resources of the men who have had it in charge.

"However, it is built to stay, and when the water comes this fall, it will be ready to do its share in getting the gold out of your placer ground.

"In fact, the one thing that has especially impressed me was the number of buildings and sheds, the quantity of tools and general equipment, the well built dams and saw mill, which taken in connection with the 340 foot tunnel and the 9000 feet of flume, to say nothing of the new trail over the mountain, certainly indicates that the money put in by the stockholders has reached the mine and has been made to go as far as possible.

"Your superintendent, Mr. Whitney, seems to me to have been the right man in the right place, and between you difficulties have been overcome that would have discouraged the ordinary mortal."—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

Murders in Cold Blood.

Louisiana, Mo., Aug. 5.—This morning while a Chicago & Alton special train was crossing the Mississippi River bridge Marion Warner, of Secor, Ill., a passenger on the train, was shot and instantly killed by an unknown man. Warner was asleep when the unknown man came the train, asking the people if they had guns.

He awoke Warner and asked him if he had a gun, and receiving a negative reply he shot Warner just over the right eye, killing him instantly. He then went to another passenger, and holding the gun against his temple made him empty his cash.

After shooting Warner he emptied his revolver at the other passengers, one woman receiving a slight wound on the arm. A boilermaker from Jacksonville volunteered to arrest the man, an in doing so knocked him senseless with his fist.

The man who did the shooting was drunk, and boasted before the murder that he would kill some one. The train was held two hours while the testimony of the passengers was taken. The man who did the shooting refused to tell his name or where he lives.

Notice.

J. C. Wilson, Machinist, has moved to the Kerr mill and will do all machine work there hereafter. Leave all orders at Kerr's Store or in the mill shop.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

It does not appear that the anti-graft crusade has yet abolished the restaurant tip.

It is about time for someone to endow a home for ex-employees of the Agriculture department.

It might head off some Russian criticism if the Taft party came home by way of St. Petersburg.

Whichever side loses out at the Portsmouth conference had better engage permanent quarters in America.

Mr. Depew says that the Equitable scandal will blow over. It seems to be blowing pretty strong up to date.

Federal Officials all swear to support the constitution and privately decide to lift anything else they can lay hands on.

The yellow fever reports from New Orleans are now taking the place of those formerly issued from the Canal Zone.

It is understood that overflow meetings are going to be held at Portsmouth for the envoys from China and Korea.

Secretary Wilson can give King Edward the laugh. He got rid of Hyde a good deal easier than Eddie is getting rid of Balfour.

It has not yet been stated whether or not Mr. Morton holds a policy in the insurance company from which he draws wages.

That grand jury ought to meet in the Agriculture Department. Its witnesses might prove more communicative in that atmosphere.

Secretary Bonaparte has declined to accept passes and so the railroads are cutting rates as much as they can from Chicago to the east.

Mr. Haas claims that an admission that he used to be an employee of the Agriculture Department might incriminate him. Possibly.

Cardinal Gibbons talks feelingly on the loneliness of wealth. Evidently he doesn't realize how a man gains in popularity when he gets an automobile.

Wizard Burbank is reported to have developed a golden plum. Nothing is said about what sort of a tree it grows on or the best method of shaking it.

There seem to have been more leaks in the Agriculture Department's cotton bureau than there have been in the grand jury room. This should be remembered in favor of Mr. Haas.

Out on the top of Mt. Wilson in southern California they are doing some wonderful work in astronomy. The Carnegie Institution has established a solar observatory there, with the special object of prying into the mystery of the life and death of suns. Also, Professor Barnard of the Yerkes Observatory has a small establishment on the same mountain, and he is making some remarkable star maps. The work of both these observatories is admirably described by Garrett P. Serviss in the August Cosmopolitan. The article is profusely illustrated.

The Western Lady.

We are in receipt of the last copy of "The Western Lady," which is a souvenir edition of the Lewis and Clark Fair, containing almost 100 cuts or nearly 2000 inches of illustrations regarding the Fair. It is without doubt the finest thing we have seen on the Exposition. "The Western Lady" is an illustrated magazine published at Portland, Ore., at 50 cents per year, and is everything the name implies, having short stories, Indian traditions, pioneer experiences, fashions, household receipts and numerous other departments, ably edited and all pertaining to the women. We have made arrangements by which we will give all our subscribers who pay a year in advance a year's subscription free to this beautiful magazine.

A Warning to Mothers.

Too much care cannot be used with small children during the hot weather of the summer months to guard against bowel troubles. As a rule it is only necessary to give the child a dose of castor oil to correct any disorder of the bowels. Do not use any substitute, but give the old-fashioned castor oil, and see that it is fresh, as rancid oil nauseates and has a tendency to grip. If this does not check the bowels give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and then a dose of castor oil, and the disease may be checked in its incipency and all danger avoided. The castor oil and this remedy should be procured at once and kept ready for instant use as soon as the first indication of any bowel trouble appears. This is the most successful treatment known and may be relied upon with implicit confidence even in cases of cholera infantum. For sale by R. S. Knowlton.

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